

UNION LEAGUE FACES FIGHT ON SUFFRAGE

Effort to Put Members on Record Against "Votes" Threatens Tempest.

ACTION NEXT THURSDAY

Some Think Trouble Will Be Avoided by Tabling Hayden Resolution.

An attempt to put the Union League Club on record as opposed to woman suffrage in this State will be made at the March meeting of the club next Thursday night. Some members are vexed because the question has been permitted to slip in some of the meetings and some are pleased. A strong effort to table the resolution will be made. If this fails there probably will be the liveliest debate that the club has heard in many a day.

The anti-suffrage resolution was offered at the last monthly meeting of the club, on February 12, by Henry W. Hayden, lawyer, of 16 Exchange place, who has been a member of the club since 1882 and was its secretary from 1902 to 1907. Its preamble is as follows:

"Whereas the question of extending the suffrage to women of the State of New York is being actively agitated, and

"Whereas an amendment to the Constitution of the State, extending the suffrage to women, has been proposed; and

"Calls for a vote of the club, and whereas we believe that such extension of the suffrage would be detrimental to the best interests of the people of the State; and further—

"Resolved, That the members of the club, competent to manage its political affairs, and to be at all times ready and willing to extend to the women of the State all protection of the State of New York, and be it further—

"Resolved, That copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution be sent to the Governor and all the members of the Legislature of the State."

The club has a by-law which says if twenty-five members object to a resolution when it is offered the resolution must be referred to a committee, which shall report at the next meeting of the club.

Mr. Hayden forestalled objection by himself proposing that his resolution be referred to the committee on political reform, which was done.

Committee on Political Reform. The committee on political reform, whose chairman is Reuben L. Maynard, a lawyer, of 141 Broadway, was puzzled. It has charge of matters relating to the club's fourth article of association:

"It shall be the duty of the club to resist and expose corruption, and promote reform in our national, State and municipal affairs, and to elevate the ideal of American citizenship."

"Votes for women" had never before been agitated in the club. Some of the committee members thought it was none of the club's business. Why should the Union League Club be dragged into such a discussion? A majority is against suffrage, but why have a vote on it, with possible disturbance of club comity? Why not sidetrack the resolution? So certain members argued.

On the other hand, it was argued that as the matter had got before the club it would be impolitic not to throw it out; it would do the club any good to be accused of dodging.

Decides to Report Resolution. Finally the committee decided to report the resolution to the club on March 12 and let the members do what they pleased with it. Mr. Hayden will move that it be adopted. He said yesterday he didn't know yet who would second his motion. A tabling motion is undesirable. Many members of the club think such a motion will be easily carried. Both sides are prepared to argue the merits of the resolution if it goes before the club for debate.

"There is already a great amount of discussion of the resolution," an influential member said yesterday. "I think it will be tabled on the ground that expression as to woman suffrage is not within the scope of the club. But if it does come to a vote there will be a sharp division and I believe the resolution will be beaten. Certainly I shall speak against it."

Another member, predicting the defeat of the resolution, said it would mean, not that the club favors woman suffrage or is against it, but that such a matter should never have been presented to the club.

Hayden Explains His Purpose. Mr. Hayden told a Sun reporter that a great question of public interest depends on woman suffrage fell well within the field of the club. He said that for a long time he had studied the arguments for and against suffrage and had made up his mind that evil conditions in politics would only be increased if women voted.

"The only remedy for the bad political conditions that we hear so much about is to raise the standards of citizenship, not lower them," said Mr. Hayden. "It's hard enough to do that with the men; it would be foolish to let a mass of women in."

He believes there are about 200,000 women over 21 years old working in the factories of this State. A most of them competent to vote intelligently?

"I simply am one of those men who believe that woman is unfitted for politics; that she is governed—properly so—by her emotions and her loyalties; that public life makes her hard and unwomanly; that she is happier without the ballot than she would be with it; that nature assigned the task of government to men and that the women in politics is trying to usurp functions that can never belong to her."

\$350,000 HOME FOR A. C. JAMES.

Will Build Here After Spending Nearly \$1,000,000 at Newport.

Allen & Collins, architects of Boston, Mass., have filed with the Manhattan Bureau of Buildings plans for a new home here for Arthur Curtiss James, who recently spent nearly \$1,000,000 on the improvement of an estate at Newport, R. I. The house will be at the northwest corner of Park avenue and Sixty-ninth street, where Mr. James owns a plot 100.5 by 125 feet.

The facade will be of Knoxville marble in the Italian Renaissance style. In the basement of the dwelling will be located part of the servants' quarters and a wine cellar. There will be a great hall 50 by 27 feet in dimensions and 31 feet high, a large dining room with a conservatory, an entrance hall with a library on the first floor. On the second floor will be the upper part of the great hall, the owner's bedroom, dressing rooms and guests' bedroom. On the second mezzanine, or third floor, will be a solarium, three guest rooms, eight servants' bedrooms and a long gallery.

The building will cost \$350,000. Mr. James is the owner of the steam yacht Aloha.

NO B. & M. JOB, SAYS TAFT.

Denies Trusteeship Was Offered—Won't Decline Prematurely.

BOSTON, March 6.—Prof. W. H. Taft said to-day there was nothing in the report that his name had been under consideration for appointment as one of the Boston and Maine trustees.

The inquiry was then made of him whether he would accept an appointment to the proposed board, and he replied: "Well, I do not decline positions before they are offered me. But this is the first time I have heard of it."

"There has been some disposition to give credence to the report, by reason of the fact that you are stopping at the home of Mr. Samuel Carr, now chairman of the Boston and Maine finance committee," it was suggested.

"That is simply because Mr. Carr's wife is my cousin," replied Mr. Taft.

DOGS OF MISS GRIGSBY

IN CLUTCHES OF POLICE

Protege of Late C. T. Yerkes

Liable to a Big Fine

in London.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

LONDON, March 6.—The American woman whose dogs were seized here last night because they had been smuggled in from the Continent proves to be Miss Emily Grigsby, a protegee of the late Charles T. Yerkes, who has a collection of jewelry worth \$500,000 and pictures and objects of art valued at many thousands more. In addition to the mansion on Park avenue, New York, which he bequeathed to her.

The two dogs are Japanese spaniels weighing two and a half and three pounds respectively. One of them is valued at \$5,000 and the other at a smaller sum. The discovery of the dogs was made at Folkestone by the merest accident, as they are so small that they were hardly observed.

Miss Grigsby was surprised when she was arrested by the customs officer on her arrival in London. The latter notified Scotland Yard and the entire party went to Bow street police court in Miss Grigsby's magnificent limousine, which was waiting for her at the Charing Cross station. The dogs were placed in detention at quarantine and Miss Grigsby was permitted to send her own veterinary surgeon there. She was not detained and went to a house that she has taken at 80 Brook street, Mayfair. She is liable to a big fine and confiscation of the dogs at the discretion of the Board of Agriculture, in whose jurisdiction the matter lies.

At the time of the coronation of King George and Queen Mary stories were sent out from London of Miss Grigsby's personal intimacy with Queen Mary and that she was a favorite at Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle.

An investigation showed that these stories were pure fiction.

BEGGAR'S HUMP A BOX OF GOLD.

Man Who Ate From Ash Cans Had \$24,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—William Kahler, aged 70, has been a hunchback beggar for twenty years, eating the food he found in ash cans and sleeping wherever he could find shelter. A patrolman arrested the old man last night and took him to the lockup so he might have a comfortable bed.

In searching Kahler it was found that his "hump" was uncommonly hard, and investigation revealed that it was not a deformity, but a tin box packed with gold coins and paper money. Various false pockets in Kahler's clothes were emptied of additional money. When all was counted the total was found to be \$11,000.

Kahler's "hump" also contained three bank books that showed deposits amounting to \$23,000. He was held on a charge of vagrancy.

CANADA PATROL'S RECORD RIDE

Finish 400 Miles Over Snow in 17 1/2 Days.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 6.—Advice from Dawson says that the Royal Northwest Mounted Police patrol, which left Dawson for Fort MacPherson, at the mouth of the Mackenzie River, early in January, returned yesterday to Dawson having made the 400 mile trip over the snow in seventeen and a half days, the fastest time on record.

Corporal Hocking, who commanded the patrol on the return trip, reported that Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, left Fort MacPherson for the Arctic coast shortly before the patrol's departure. Stefansson is expected to return to the Arctic coast in a few days.

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Waiters' Riot the Cause

Mayor Satisfied Young Men

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"Flying Wedge."

The police closed Jack's restaurant at 1 o'clock this morning and for the first time in twenty-three years gay youth and frivolous age could not be rallied by the Tenderloin's battle cry, "Let's all go up to Jack's!"

Mayor Mitchell revoked John Dunstan's all night license because he satisfied himself that waiters were brutal in ejecting a party of young men at 3 o'clock last Thursday morning. In cutting off Jack's all night privileges the Mayor was not unmindful also of suggestions that the restaurant had been able to throw away the key of its front door because it enjoyed a pull with successive city administrations.

Until Lieut. William Kennell, the Mayor's bodyguard, flustered the night birds before midnight last night with the announcement that everybody must be out and the doors closed by 1 A. M. Jack's restaurant had never felt the pinch of reform activity. Where previously under Tammany, Republican or fusion Mayors other night resorts had had to toe the ex-cise mark Jack's light shone for all men and several kinds of women and 5 o'clock in the morning was the shank of the evening. The Mayor's order and Kennell's enforcement was the worst blow ever suffered by such as hated to go to bed and delighted to present their checks at the Tenderloin's most famous clearing house for gossip.

"Flying Wedge" Inevitable.

Since 1891, when Dunstan opened the restaurant, fights have been common enough between patrons or between patrons and waiters. The "flying wedge," a V shaped formation of pugilistic waiters, each with a towel wrapped over hand and wrist to protect knuckles and tendons, had worked at need without special scandal or notoriety. But the fight of Thursday morning was a Waterloo.

As Arthur Woods, secretary to the Mayor, learned from statements signed by a policeman who responded to riot calls, five young men, hardly more than boys, were at supper in the new extension of the restaurant at 2:30 A. M. Thursday. The apparent leader of the party quarreled with a waiter over the change of a large bank bill. There was talk that the lad had been "short changed." The waiter withdrew and grumbled with his associates.

This difficulty seemed to have been adjusted when a frequenter of Jack's known as Eddie lurched over to the table where the boys were sitting. Without provocation, so far as the Mayor's investigators could learn, this person threw a vile name at one of the boys and took a glancing blow in the face. Instantly the flying wedge went into action, seven or eight waiters grabbing the boys and attempting to hustle them into the street.

Fight Into Sixth Avenue.

For a few minutes the fight was confined to the central room of the restaurant, then it rolled into Sixth avenue. Various persons, leaving women at the tables, intruded into the hurly burly, received black eyes or cut cheeks and promptly hit the nearest spectators as the quickest way to get even.

A policeman, Mr. Woods's informant, whose name is withheld at the Mayor's request, pushed himself into the surging, buffeting crowd and was able, supported by the shouts of Dunstan's manager and principal field marshal, Jimmy Keller, to stop flying fists and nimble feet and to make himself heard. He says that he questioned two young men, members of the college boys' party, who showed badly cut faces and closed eyes and who complained that they had been brutally handled by seven or eight waiters.

The policeman asked them then and there if they could identify the waiters. They could not, one reason being that they could hardly see at all. They were sent to a hospital after they had declined to give their names. Mr. Woods, however, can obtain their names, he said yesterday, and expects to use the young men as witnesses if it becomes necessary.

Mayor's Ire Aroused.

The Mayor was decidedly displeased because the police were tardy in checking the fight and because police reports of the fight were vague and uncircumstantial. As Thurs. Sun. told fully yesterday morning, the Mayor directed Mr. Woods to demand from the proprietor of Jack's an explanation and to request from the Police Department its reasons for seemingly careless work.

No explanation came from Mr. Dunstan to the Mayor. Police Commissioner McKay hadn't heard about the fight until the attention was called to it by the Mayor.

Mr. McKay called upon Inspector Dwyer for an explanation. Dwyer's report was that it had been a riot and that he had been unable to get any information from the restaurant and that the story of the night had been exaggerated. The report did not at all agree with the Mayor's information and he disregarded it in revoking the all night license. Whether or not the Mayor intends to discipline policemen did not appear yesterday.

Under the law Jack's restaurant has paid \$25 a week for its all night license. The report had been favored by various administrations at a time when other restaurants were closed at 1 A. M. because it dispensed with music, had no cabaret, permitted no dancing and professed to run in an orderly and lawful fashion.

It may be that the Mayor will restore the all night license after a period of discipline.

Jack's has had countrywide notoriety for nearly a quarter of a century. Tammany and Republican Judges, City Magistrates and school boards, actors and actresses, sports promoters, gamblers and police officials all did duty over the years usually to be found there between midnight and daylight.

FLORIDA HARVEST; ICE HERE.

Big Garden Crop of South Begins to Move Northward.

While New York's suburban truck farms are sleeping under a coverlet of ice, word comes from Florida that the harvesting of the largest crop of fruit and vegetables ever grown there has begun.

According to information gathered by the Pennsylvania Railroad, strawberries are already on the move and between 200 and 250 carloads will be started North in the next two weeks. Florida's vegetable acreage is from 10 to 20 per cent. larger than it was in 1913. There is a record crop of celery and twice as many cucumbers as last year.

The prospective shipment of tomatoes is 4,500 carloads. Cabbages are flourishing all over the State. The Hastings section of the East Coast has about 8,500 acres of potatoes. The cantaloupe crop will be about normal, but there will be more watermelons than usual.

The pineapple yield in slight amounts to between 400,000 and 700,000 crates.

COURT RESTRICTS BILLBOARDS.

Finds Ordinance on Height and Construction Reasonable.

A decision restricting the height and construction of advertising signs and billboards was handed down by the Appellate Division yesterday. The court reversed a writ of mandamus obtained by the Van Beuren & New York Billposting Company against Building Superintendent Miller for permission to construct a billboard made of wood with the exception of a metal casing.

The court finds that since the board is to be of wood, and is within the fire limits, it comes within the provision of a reasonable ordinance, limiting the height of such billboard.

MAN BOUND FOR JAIL

GIVES COAT TO POOR BOY

"I Shan't Need It When I Get Out Next Summer,"

He Says.

A boy of 17, who had neither coat nor vest and whose head was bandaged, stood before Magistrate Appleton in the Tombs court yesterday.

His name was John Shea. He had been arrested in the office of a snow contractor for throwing a laborer across the room and smashing a partition in drunken pursuit of three others. Also he fought Policeman Glasney.

THOUSANDS IN LOOT

FOUND BY WOMAN

She Solves Mystery of N. Y. Central Thefts When Other

Detectives Fail.

Hidden in Bronx Flat

Six Wagonloads of Plunder Recovered—Worth \$50,000

or \$75,000.

Loot stolen from New York Central freight cars, valued at between \$50,000 and \$75,000, and ranging from toothbrushes to sealskin coats worth \$500 apiece, was found last night in the flat of Nicholas Smith, a stationary engineer, at 470 Bronx Park Boulevard.

A woman detective employed by the railroad found this rich cache and caused the arrest of Smith on the charge of receiving stolen goods.

The engineer, with his wife and five children grouped around him, sat in stunned silence while the police gathered up six patrol wagon loads of the stuff they found in the apartment and carried it to the Bronx Park police station.

Woman Succeeds; Others Fail.

New York Central officials say this represents a large part of the freight stolen in the past ten months. They had run down a dozen clues without success, and had examined the employees in a dozen yards. It remained for a woman detective to prove her worth by means of a newspaper advertisement.

In their long search the railroad people finally made up their minds that the thiefing from sealed packing cases was being done in the St. John's Park freight yards at Varick and Hudson streets. They watched the freight cars there night and day, but saw nothing.

A large part of the stolen property was sealskin coats. So a few days ago the woman detective, whose name the company will not reveal, put this advertisement in a newspaper:

"Wanted, to buy one or more sealskin coats of good quality at a reasonable price."

Smith Answers Her "A.D." A man who answered the "ad" was Smith. He said in a letter that he had several coats of the kind wanted, and invited inspection. It was learned that Smith was an engineer at the Linde refrigerating plant, which adjoins the St. John's Park freight yards of the New York Central. The woman was happy. She went to see Smith and found that he really had several sealskin coats. The railroad called in the New York police to investigate the roundup.

A little before midnight last night Supt. Humphries of the New York Central accompanied Detective Hatto and John Meyer to Smith's flat. They found piled up in his room an astonishing array of furs, silk and satin gowns, as well as overcoats, rugs and smaller articles, including buttonhooks and toothbrushes, by the gross. The freight thieves couldn't always pick the stuff they preferred; they just opened packing cases and took whatever they found.

Smith wouldn't say a word at his home or in the station house cell. Supt. Humphries said that he believed the actual thieves were employees of the company, who got Smith to hide the goods they stole. The police will try to get Smith to tell who these men are.

WOULD SELL CANAL MACHINERY.

Col. Goethals Tells Congress It Would Be Useless in U. S.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Col. George W. Goethals to-day exploded a theory which had many supporters in Congress for utilizing the machinery and tools used in constructing the Panama Canal when he appeared before the Senate Commerce Committee and told Senators that it would be more economical to purchase new machinery outright than to try to remove and repair the canal machinery.

The committee had sought information as to whether the machinery might not be used in levee work on the lower Mississippi. Suggestions have been made to build railroads in Alaska or to do river and harbor work in the United States.

Col. Goethals recommended to-day that cars, dredges, engines and all other machinery be sold to South American interests which want them to use in railroad building. The only machinery, he said, that might be utilized would be some of the dredges, and he expressed grave doubt of their utility.

WANTS \$10,000 FOR HIS NOSE.

Athlete Sues Doctor—Claims Operation Disfigured Him.

Bertelle W. King, a young Brooklyn athlete, who won the javelin throwing contest at the last A. A. U. meet, has brought suit for \$10,000 against Dr. James P. Erskine of 124 East Thirty-fourth street, Manhattan, alleging that the shape of his nose was spoiled by an operation performed by the physician.

King's lawyer went before Supreme Court Justice Knapp in Brooklyn yesterday and moved for a stay of proceedings in a suit brought by Dr. Erskine for \$50 for services rendered. The lawyer said that his client's case would be seriously prejudiced if the physician obtained a judgment against him in the suit for \$50, which is pending in the Fourth District Municipal Court in Manhattan. Justice Knapp granted the stay.

King is 25 years old, lives at 9 Prospect Park West, and is in the transportation business with his father. At present he is in St. Augustine, Fla. He is a member of the New York Athletic Club and holds several amateur swimming records.

Wants Goethals Only, Says Perkins. "You quote me as saying that my only interest in the police situation is to get the police bills through the Legislature and to get Col. Goethals in as Police Commissioner," said George W. Perkins yesterday. "My interest begins and ends with those two things." Mr. Perkins's remark was in reply to a story printed yesterday morning to the effect that he would be Police Commissioner.

LOOKS FOR BIG HARVEST.

Traffic Director of U. S. Sees Prosperity in Grain Belt.

DENVER, March 6.—Benjamin L. Winchell, director of traffic of the Union Pacific Railroad and formerly president of the Frisco lines, arrived in Denver to-day on a tour over the company's system, during which he is studying the business and traffic conditions of the West so as to be prepared for the fall freight movement and the summer passenger travel.

"I believe from what I have observed that the last half of this year will be better than the first, and that a revival of business will follow the great crops that everything seems to indicate," he said. "All along over the lines in Nebraska and Colorado, as well as in Wyoming and Idaho, there has been a plentiful crop of grain and the mountains generally are well covered with snow, which will insure all the water needed for irrigation. Crops that are already in are showing excellent progress everywhere and I look forward to a bountiful harvest of all grains and hay."

W. U. TO SHARE ITS PROFITS.

Sets Aside 12,500 Shares to Be Sold to Employees.

The Western Union has announced a profit sharing plan for its employees. It has set aside 12,500 shares of its stock to be sold to its men, 2,500 at 60 and 10,000 at 65. The closing price on the exchange yesterday was 63 1/2.

The employees have the right to purchase the stock to the extent of half their annual salaries in even shares. The payments are to be 25 per cent. at the start and thereafter monthly over twenty-four months.

In order to keep purchases by employees in the realm of investment no stock certificates will be delivered until March 1, 1915, even if fully paid for.

SCARLET FEVER HIS MARGIN.

Suburban Speculator Offers Quarantine Plea to Wall Street Firm.

The margin clerk of a big Wall Street commission house may exercise a certain amount of discretion in the performance of his duty. Usually he finds it wiser to adhere strictly to a given rule in dealing with the rank and file, because excuses for failure to strengthen margins are infinite.

Late yesterday afternoon a prominent Wall Street firm received a telegram from a small customer living in the suburbs which read as follows:

"Please protect my stock. Am quarantined with scarlet fever until March 20."

KOCH A TUBERCULOSIS VICTIM.

Brother of Serum Inventor Has Not Many Days to Live.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., March 6.—A brother of the late Dr. Robert Koch, leader in the war on tuberculosis, is a patient in a hospital here critically ill with the disease to fight which the scientist devoted most of his life. Arnold Koch, the patient, has known for some time that he has tuberculosis.

He spent several months in the Ozark Mountains and was on his way home when his condition became serious. He was removed from a train and may not survive many days. He is 67 years old.

MISS MORGAN DEFENDS

RIGHTS OF TWO GIRLS

With Mrs. Hewitt She Urges

Long Terms for Men Who

Lured Them Astray.

Miss Anne Morgan and Mrs. Edward Ringwood Hewitt called on Judge Swan in his chambers yesterday to urge long sentences for two men who pleaded guilty to luring two girls from their homes. The girls are Clare McCarthy, the fifteen-year-old daughter of a policeman who was stationed for a long time in front of the Colony Club, and her friend Loretta Baker.

Both girls were stagestruck and were regular patrons of moving picture theatres. They ran away from home and after an absence of a week were found in an uptown hotel with the two defendants, John J. Cronin, a moving picture operator of 1338 Wilkins avenue, and John P. Davenport of 1308 Hoe avenue.

Judge Swan told his callers he would defer sentence until he could investigate the defendants' former characters.

Miss Morgan and Mrs. Hewitt have interested themselves in the future of the girls, who are now in the custody of the Children's society.

1,300,000 CABBAGES SUNK.

Shipment From Norway Condemned and Dumped Into Ocean.

Three big scows carrying 6,000 crates of decayed cabbages left the dock of the Scandinavian-American Steamship Company in Hoboken yesterday bound for Sandy Hook, where the cabbages were dumped into the ocean. The crates contained 1,300,000 heads of cabbages, valued at \$25,000.

The new steamship Frederik VIII. brought the cabbages from Norway. The ship ran short of coal on the way over and had to put into the Azores for a fresh supply, and six days in a high temperature proved too much for the cabbages. They were condemned by Inspector Grenfell of the Hoboken Board of Health.

YERIE FOR MAYOR MITCHELL.